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To: All Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Manual Holders

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Subject: SNAP Bulletin 100

Please place this bulletin at the beginning of section SNAP 001 and 104-1.

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SUBJECTS: Table of Standards: GMI & NMI/Thrifty Food Plan and Application Approval or Denial

REFERENCES: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; Pub.L.111-226

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2013

INTRODUCTION: In April 2009, The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 raised SNAP benefits to help people affected by the recession. This provision ends effective November 1, 2013.

As a result, in November 2013, maximum allotments will decrease. The cut will be about \$10 per person per month. For example, the benefit cut to monthly benefits for a household of three will be \$29. For households that receive the \$16 minimum benefit, the new minimum benefit level will be \$15 per month.

POLICY CHANGE: SNAP 001 – Page 4 under **THRIFTY FOOD PLAN** update the following:

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Thrifty Food Plan</u>
1	\$189
2	347
3	497
4	632
5	750
6	900
7	995
8	1,137
Each Additional Member	+ 142

SNAP 104-1 - Page 2 under **MINIMUM ALLOTMENTS** update the following:

All eligible one and two person households receive a minimum monthly allotment of \$15 except for the initial month when the allotment is not issued because the allotment is less than \$10.